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FOR EA/PRCM

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OVIP ASEC (HUMMEL, ARTHUR W., JR.)  
SUBJECT: PROPOSED TRIP TO PRC BY AMB HUMMEL

1. MY WIFE AND I ARE CONTEMPLATING A TOURIST-TYPE TRIP TO THE PRC, POSSIBLY IN SEPTEMBER, AND HAVE BEEN IN PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE WITH USLO ABOUT IT. I HAVE HAD (A) A PROMISE FROM CHOU EN-LAI IN 1973 THAT I WOULD BE PERMITTED TO VISIT MY BIRTHPLACE AT FENCHOW, SHANSI AND (B) AN ASSURANCE FROM AMB HUANG CHEN LAST YEAR THAT I WOULD BE A GUEST OF THE PRC GOVT. I WANT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE FORMER, BUT DOUBT THE PROPRIETY OF ACCEPTING OFFICIAL PRC PAYMENT OF EXPENSES WITHIN CHINA. AMB WOODCOCK HAS KINDLY OFFERED TO INVITE US AS "PERSONAL GUESTS" TO FACILITATE VISA ISSUANCE.

2. REQUEST (A) DEPT'S PERMISSION IN PRINCIPLE FOR ME TO TAKE SUCH A TRIP AND (B) ANY COMMENTS OR ADVICE EA WISHES TO GIVE. IF ALL GOES WELL, I WOULD MAKE THE FIRST MOVE HERE BY DISCUSSING THE MATTER WITH PRC AMB LU WEI-CHAO WITH WHOM I AM DEVELOPING QUITE FRIENDLY RELATIONS.  
HUMMEL

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